

# Update for the Transportation External Coordination Working Group

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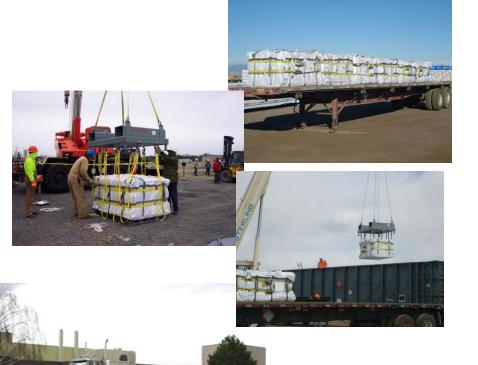


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## EM Shipments Continue. . .



- LLW & MLLW shipments continue from WVDP, OR, and Mound
- MOX shipments from Hanford to ID

#### Uranium Oxide Transportation Logistics

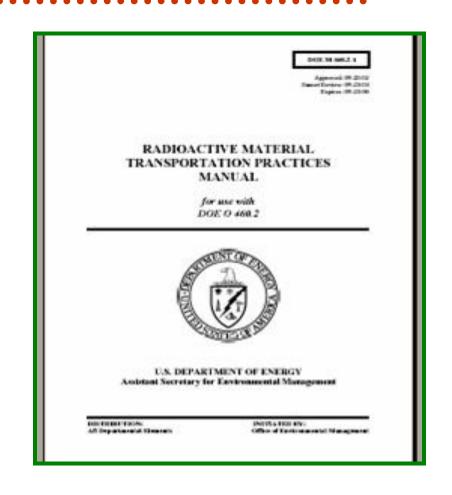
- Each uranium oxide cylinder will weigh ~14-18 tons.
- 11 railcars are planned to be shipped each week.
  - Group of 5 or 6 railcars
     will be shipped from each site
  - Each gondola railcar will contain up to 6 cylinders





### Update of DOE Manual 460.2-1

- Formal review ended April 2007
- Comment resolution is complete
- Manual is in formal concurrence process
  - All program offices
  - Nonconcurrence from GC
    - Working to address issues
- Issuance date depends on resolution of GC concerns and program concurrences



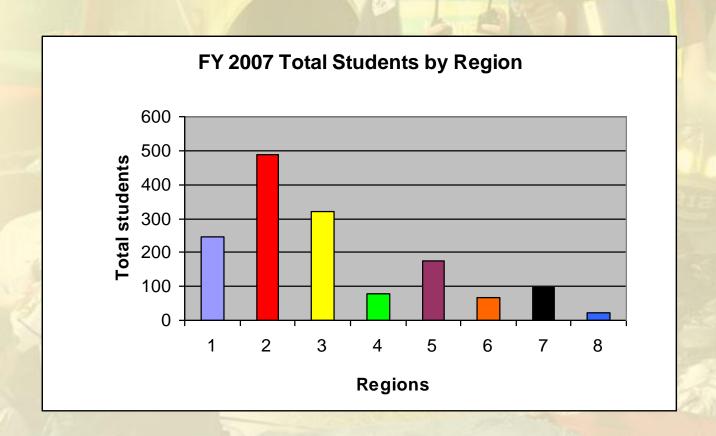
## Revised Event Reporting Criteria

- Working group established in January 2007
  - Representatives from WGA, NE-CSG & MW-CSG; field sites (CBFO, SR, & EM-CBC); and EM-63
- Identified reporting requirements (DOT, NRC)
- Defined event, incident, accident, etc.
- Determine how to categorize events
- Develop consensus criteria for transportation <u>event</u> reporting and transportation <u>incident</u> performance metrics reporting.
- Goal is to have a product that allows the field to know what should be reported, provides appropriate information to our stakeholders, and provides better performance metrics





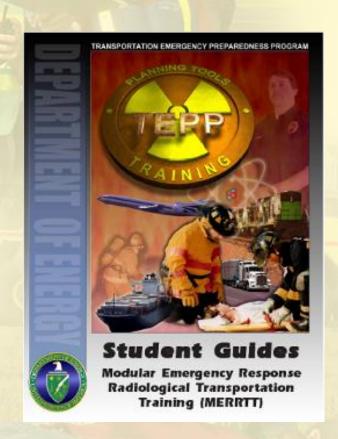
# Transportation Emergency Preparedness Update





#### **MERRTT Revisions**

- Rewrite of Module 13 -Decontamination, Disposal and Documentation
- Merged Modules --
  - Terms and Definitions merged with Radiation Basics
  - Assessing Package Integrity merged with Hazard Recognition
- Updated pictures throughout the training and reworded text in several areas for clarification
- Reordered module sequencing and added several text book practical exercises





## NS Whistlestop Tour

- TEPP will once again be participating in the TRANSCAER WST
- Designed to increase community understanding of emergency planning and to provide training
- September 17-21
  - Hattiesburg, MS
  - Meridian, MS
  - Tuscaloosa, AL
  - Birmingham, AL
  - Columbus, GA





# Radiation Specialist Training Program

- Rad Specialist Course
  - Developed under an agreement with the Western Governors' Association
  - Phase I 24 hour training will be piloted in the Fall
    - Harrisburg, PA October 2-4
    - Idaho Falls, ID dates to be determined
- Development for Phase II will not begin until acceptance of Phase I by stakeholder review groups



# Backup



#### Performance Metrics

**Calculation of Incidents Rates/Million Miles:** 

#### **FY06 Incident Rates**

- $\cdot$ 22/14,060 = 15.65/10,000 shipments
- $\cdot 22/13,300,000 = 2.03/1,000,000$  miles



### Current EM Event Reporting Criteria

- Any release of an EM material during transportation;
- Any injury (either outpatient, first aid, minor injury, hospitalization, or fatality);
- Any damage to the transport vehicle, package, or property;
- Any fines; regulatory violations; or deviations from accepted protocols, orders, or procedures;
- Any package damage or load securement problem;
- Any route deviation (for Transcom monitored shipments); security breach; or activation of emergency personnel;
- Any deviation that triggers a Level VI CVSA inspection;
- Any road closure or public evacuation;
- Any local or national media coverage.

## So How Are We Doing?

#### **FY 2004 Transportation Incidents:**

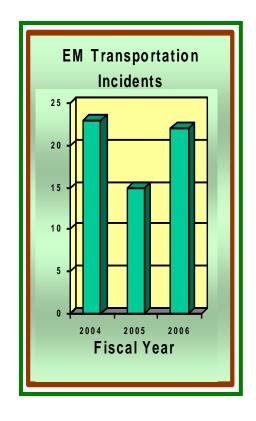
- EM had 23 reported off-site incidents.
- Incident Rate = 23/2.0 = 11.5 Incidents/10,000 Shipments

#### **FY 2005 Transportation Incidents:**

- EM had 15 reported off-site incidents.
  - Most significant incident was rain water in BNL railcar
- Incident Rate = 15/2.2 = 6.8 Incidents/10,000 Shipments

#### **FY2006 Transportation Incidents:**

- EM had 27 transportation events (22 incidents).
- Incident Rate = 22/1.4 = 15.7 Incidents/10,000 Shipments



#### EM Transportation Events in FY 2007

- 11/06, ID Inaccurate Characterization of Hazardous Waste Shipment
- 11/09, WVDP Mechanical Failure (blown engine)
- 11/16, SR Two shipments did not follow preferred routes to NTS
- 3/05, PORTS Driver reports concerns regarding a Rad-Waste Shipment (leaking Sealand container)
- 3/10, ID/WIPP Helium Leak Test conducted on TRUPACT Container with Incorrect Gas
- 4/01 ID/WIPP Reversal of "O-Ring" Placement in TRUPACTs
- 5/11, SR/WIPP Shipment to WIPP involved in accident near Ranger, TX





#### **TEPP Tribal Activities**

- Conducted training and presentation at Tribal Summit in Denver, CO
- Conducted training for the Absentee Shawnee Tribe in Shawnee, OK
- Conducted Tribal Needs Assessment for both Acoma and Laguna Pueblos of New Mexico
- MERRTT session planned for Acoma Pueblo later this year
- MERRTT session planned for Laguna Pueblo later this year
- MERRTT session planned for Flagstaff, AZ later this year Navajo Nation invited
- Tabletop drill and exercise scheduled for calendar year 2007 as a joint effort between two tribal governments and 1 county government in New Mexico (Laguna and Acoma Pueblos with Cibola County)